

EGREMONT CONSERVATION COMMISSION

Minutes of March 11, 2021

Members present virtually: Tynan, Seligman, Fakelmann, Riordan, Campbell, Frater (Associate)

Guests present virtually: George McGurn, Alice Kessler-Harris and Bert Silverman, Jim Kelly, Courtney Lane, Amer Raza, Fred Gordon and Donna Gordon, Kyle Purdy, Mark Stinson, Liana DiNunzio, James Barnack, Shannon Poulin (Clerk)

Called to order 5:32 p.m.

Advisory on Zoom meetings

Approval of minutes of February 28, 2021

Public Hearings:

State Department of Transportation proposal (NOI#153-0224) for reconstruction of Routes 23/41 from the Great Barrington Town Line to the intersection of Undermountain Rd (Rt 41) at Smiley's Pond, said project having possible effects on Karner Brook and stormwater management and falling within the scope of the Wetlands Protection Act. Called to order 5:36 p.m. Presentation by Kyle Purdy (DOT). Noted the addition of splash pads at stormwater discharge points. Agreed to remove references to street cleaning from the proposal. Hearing closed 6:00 p.m. NOI approved with condition- removal of street cleaning from the proposal. Order of Conditions (OoC) will be issued at next meeting, March 25.

Projects New and Old:

Pending Certificate of Compliance requests

Kelly, 91 Hillside Rd. Awaiting attestation that the original tower applicant no longer exists. However, Concom will arrange for a site visit with possible issuance upon confirmation that the work was never done.

Koop, 8 Hickory Hill Rd. Awaiting notice from a certified engineer that the work was in compliance. However, Concom will arrange for a site visit with possible issuance upon confirmation that the work was done in compliance.

Algierie, 33 Lakeside Dr. Certificate of compliance issued. Should be formally voted upon at next meeting.

Update from Berkshire Natural Resources Council (BNRC) on culvert replacement project in Barrett Woods Preserve, Pumpkin Hollow Rd. Site visit to be scheduled upon notification from contractor that straw bales are in place and staked.

Mass DEP Consent Order re: Enforcement Order 000100402 at 74 Jug End Rd. Stilt grass inspection report submitted and accepted. Concom will work with contractor Joe Wilkinson to review all stages of the project to attest to all having been done in full compliance with the conditions set forth in the Water Quality Certification (WQC) WW10.

Proposed swimming pool at 82 Jug End Rd., said project falling within the 100 ft. buffer of an intermittent stream and in flood plain area. Need an RDA to be filed. Site visit once pool site is properly staked out.

Report on Municipal Vulnerability Planning Program. Frater reported on project progress,

Citizens Inquiries:

Presentation by Fred Gordon. Item will be on Town Meeting Warrant.

Additional Late-filed projects:

Notice of Intent (NOI) Houghon, 54 Lakeside Dr. re: installation of helical pillars under existing house, all work taking place within 100 ft. of Prospect Lake.

Enforcement Order issued against Vadnee Landscaping regarding work at 54 Prospect Lake Rd., adjacent to waters edge, said work in violation of the Wetlands Protection Act. Silt barrier installed. Fiber matting over exposed soil to be installed. Site visit to confirm. Contractor to attend March 25 meeting at which time further action will be determined.

James Kelly, Consulting Forester, regarding Biological Management Plan for Town -owned land at Jug End and Mt. Washington Rds. For which a Forest Stewardship Plan has now been completed.

Receipt of Catamount January Jack's Pond Drawdown Report.

Need to resend Cather CoC mailing returned for incorrect address.

Request from Mike Kulig regarding emergency work for septic system at Torrico, 186 Egremont Plain Rd.

Correspondence:

Common Ground Newsletter

Advisory on Town Newsletter deadline.

Administrative:

Building Permit update: No issues

Conflict of Interest Education Requirements reminder.

Adjournment: 7:48 p.m.

Next Regularly Scheduled Meetings: March 25, 2021; April 8, 2021

Respectfully submitted: David Seligman